

Notice of Allowability

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2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

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PRIMARY EXAMINER

Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The art of record considered as a whole alone or in combination neither anticipates nor renders obvious a socket, comprising a main body including a first cylinder, and a second cylinder integrally formed on the first cylinder, wherein: the first cylinder of the main body has an outer periphery formed with a plurality of outer teeth; the second cylinder of the main body has an inner periphery formed with a plurality of inner teeth; the inner teeth of the second cylinder of the main body and the outer teeth of the first cylinder of the main body have the same tooth number and have the corresponding tooth shape; each of the outer teeth of the first cylinder of the main body has an arcuate shape; each of the inner teeth of the second cylinder of the main body has an arcuate shape; the first cylinder of the main body is formed with twelve outer teeth; the outer teeth of the first cylinder of the main body are arranged in an annular manner; the outer periphery of the first cylinder of the main body is formed with a plurality of arcuate recesses located between the outer teeth; the first cylinder of the main body is formed with twelve recesses in the second cylinder of the main body is formed with twelve inner teeth; the inner teeth of the second cylinder of the main body are arranged in an annular manner; the inner periphery of the second cylinder of the main body is formed with a plurality of arcuate recesses located between the inner teeth; the second cylinder of the main body is formed with twelve recesses; the inner teeth of the second cylinder of the main body and the outer teeth of the first

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cylinder of the main body have the same tooth size so that when any two sockets are connected with each other, the outer teeth of the first cylinder of a first socket are correspondingly inserted into and engaged with the inner teeth of the second cylinder of a second socket; the inner teeth of the second cylinder of the main body are in line with the outer teeth of the first cylinder of the main body; the socket further comprising a ratchet wrench including a drive head having an inner periphery formed with a plurality of arcuate inner teeth; the drive head of the ratchet wrench is formed with twelve inner teeth; the inner periphery of the drive head of the ratchet wrench is formed with a plurality of arcuate recesses located between the inner teeth.

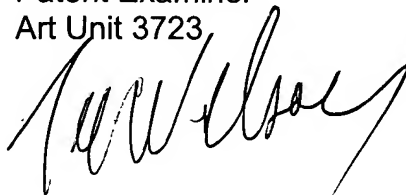
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alvin J. Grant whose telephone number is (571) 272-4484. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 8:00-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph J. Hail can be reached on (571) 272-4485. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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